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JACOB SEEKS GOD'S HELP

LESSON TEXT—Genesis 32:3-12, 27-29.
GOLDEN TEXT—God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.—Psalm 46:1.

"O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home."
—Isaac Watts.

How true it is that "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble." Jacob found it so, even though his trouble came upon him because of his own misdeeds.

God had prospered him at Haran, but in due time he was led by circumstance and by direct guidance to return to his own land (Gen. 31:1-3). Hindrances arose, but Jacob pressed on. As he came toward home, however, he recalled the sin which had caused him to flee. He remembered now how he had defrauded Esau and this

I. Guilt Brought Fear (vv. 2-8).

It always does. The sinful act of 20 years before now faced Jacob. He had left it behind and had all but forgotten it. He had hoped that the years would cover it, but they did not—and they never do.

"Be sure your sin will find you out" (Num. 32:23)—perhaps not this week or this year, or next; but until it is dealt with and forgiven it is there to rise up and plague you sooner or later.

Jacob's fear was increased by hearing that Esau came out to meet him with 400 men. He tried by his own devices to meet the situation, but ultimately realized that his predicament had reached the point where only God could help him.

How like us, trying everything else until we realize its futility, and then turning to God. How delightfully simplified life becomes when we turn to God first. Yet we are glad that Jacob's

II. Fear Brought Prayer (vv. 9-12).

It was real prayer, too, although, as W. H. Griffith Thomas suggests, it is strange that after his blessed personal experience with God he addressed Him only as the God of his fathers and not his own God (v. 9). Then, too, his faith seemed a bit weak, for it was coupled with great fear (v. 11).

We are told that fear is not a proper motive for turning men to God. Perhaps it is not the highest motive, but both in Scripture and in experience we find it to be true that fear often leads men to God in real repentance and faith. If the goodness and grace of God do not touch man's heart, it is assuredly far better that he should be saved through fear than to be eternally lost.

Jacob, however, needed a further experience of dependence upon God before he could be brought back in peace into the land. He was led to send everyone away so that he was alone when the Lord dealt with him and

III. Prayer Brought Blessing (vv. 27-29).

Jacob, who had by deceit taken the promise from Esau instead of awaiting God's time to give it to him, was now about to attempt another skillful scheme which would have won over Esau and sent Jacob into his land gloryings in his own ability. In spite of all God's dealings with him, he was still Jacob the supplanter. So God had to deal with him.

We sometimes think of the grace of God only as that which brings us blessing and joy, but often God is being most gracious and considerate of our real need by sending opposition and hardship.

The divine visitor let Jacob struggle all night, giving him a chance to submit of his own will; but when it was evident that he would not, he was shown that his own strength would not do, for he was made lame (v. 25).

The very thing which made Jacob sure of his own strength became his weakest point at the touch of God. He was not the last one to learn that lesson.

The comment of F. B. Meyer on this entire scene is most helpful: "Note that Jacob did not lay hold of this visitor, but the visitor lay hold of him. This is not a picture of a man coming to God, to wrestle with God in prayer, but a record of God coming to man, to break the spirit of stubbornness and self-sufficiency which a particular man has for too long a time habitually manifested. All night these two wrestled, the one from heaven and the one of earth, and when, at the dawn of day, Jacob saw that he could not prevail against the man, in his exhaustion and weariness he suddenly felt the touch of the stranger's hand on his thigh. Immediately his thigh was out of joint, rendering him absolutely helpless. But now Jacob realized that the one with whom he had wrestled all night was a divine person; and, whereas early in the night he was held in the grip of the other, now he refused to release his grasp of the visitor until he received a blessing from him."

Cars Defective

One-half of all the cars in the State were found defective in the motor vehicle inspection period ending April 30 1942, according to figures prepared by the Department of State Police and released today. Of the 520,000 cars inspected 51.9 per cent were rejected until repairs could be made.

"This percentage of defective vehicles was determined by inspections made before tire and gasrationing was felt by the public," Major C. W. Woodson, Jr., superintendent of State Police, said. "It forecasts a bad situation for the future unless car owners keep their vehicles in better condition, drive less and drive more carefully."

Of all the vehicles checked nearly one-quarter, or 23.8 per cent, had defective brakes, the State Police said. About 6 out of every 10 had improper headlights, and 16 per cent had defective tail lights or other lights. Exactly 13 per cent had defective exhaust systems. Other items ranged from 11.6 per cent with improper steering to 1.1 per cent with had glass other than windshields.

"All of these items affect the safety as well as the useful life of a vehicle" Major Woodson pointed out. "The defects were corrected at the time of inspection, but the fact that they were found indicates tha they will come again and that inspections are necessary."

At Texas Air Field

(Special to Times-Virginian)

Randolph Field, Texas, August 26.—Another rough and ready group of potential Axis-busters, with eleven aviation cadets and student officers from Virginia among their number have just reported to the "West Point of the Air Corps" for nine weeks of training as Army Air Force fighting and bombing pilots.

Members of this latest class (Uncle Sam turns them out with clocklike regularity) include Aviation Cadet Benjamin D. Randolph, son of Captain William M. Randolph, for whom Randolph Field was named, and fifty-three West Point raiders who now enter the second phase of their aerial education prior to their return to the U. S. Military Academy this fall.

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The Virginia men include:

APPOMATTOX: Aviation Cadet JENNINGS W. (Sam) CONNER, 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Conner. He is a transfer from the Royal Canadian Air Forces, where he was a leading aircraftsman.

DO NEWSPAPERS HELP IS THE WAR EFFORT?

Here's how NEWSPAPERS help in the War Effort, just one example . . . Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Conner had not heard from their son "Sam" since March 19. He had been a pilot with the Royal Canadian Air Force. He might be at any one of hundreds of danger posts all over the world. They say "no news is good news"... but you can imagine how loving parents would wonder, and wonder. Five months of "no news." Then, last Saturday the Times-Virginian received a routine Army news release, one like dozens each week, this one from Randolph Field, Texas. In the news release was the news printed elsewhere in today's issue, that "Sam" was one of the new Aviation Cadets there. We rushed the news over to Mr. and Mrs. Conner. Getting news about "OUR BOYS" is a real service to the HOME FRONT!"

Map on Cigarette Case Guides Fliers in Indies

BATAVIA.—A tiny pictorial map on a souvenir cigarette case guided 17 American airmen flying several United States flying boats on their escape from the Philippines to the Netherlands Indies, it was disclosed.

None of them ever had flown the route, which passes over a vast area of countless islands, and only the bare outlines of the main islands of Sumatra, Borneo, Java, Celebes and New Guinea appeared on the treasured silver case the pilot of the leading plane had picked up on a previous visit to the Indies.

A knowledge of the smaller island positions had been considered essential to navigation through the maze of the Indies.

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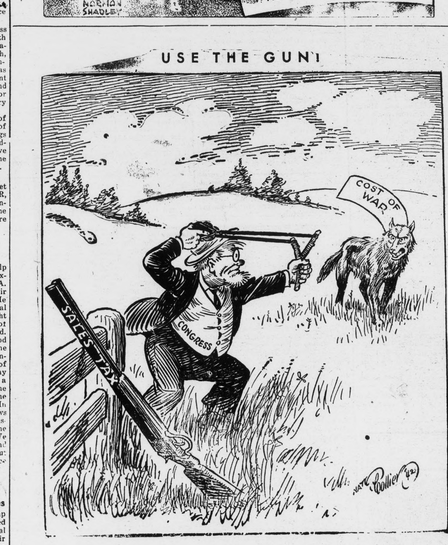

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In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Appomattox County on the 24th day of August 1942. Commonwealth of Virginia, Plaintiff
Against
Nannie Austin, Beatrice Green, Sam Mathews, Joe Mathews, Howard Hendricks and the Unknown Heirs at law of J. B. Mathews and Nannie Mathews, and the heirs of her body by J. Bolling Mathews and Others, Defendants.

The object of this suit is to subject the real estate owned by the parties to this suit, to the payment of delinquent taxes assessed by the County of Appomattox, Va., against said real estate.

And it appearing by affidavit filed that Nannie Austin, Beatrice Green, Sam Mathews, Joe Mathews, and Howard Hendricks, and the Unknown Heirs at law of J. Bolling Mathews and Fannie Mathews and the heirs of her body by J. Bolling Mathews, are not residents of Appomattox County, they are hereby required to appear within ten days after the due publication of this order and do what is necessary to protect their interests.

Teste:
C. W. SMITH, Clerk.
W. M. Abbitt, p. q.
(8-27-21c)

VIRGINIA:

In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Appomattox County, on the 24th day of August, 1942. Commonwealth of Virginia, Plaintiff
Against
Susie Davidson, and the Unknown Heirs of Fannie Davidson, dec'd., Defendants.

The object of this suit is to subject the real estate owned by the defendants in Appomattox County, Virginia, to the payment of delinquent taxes assessed by the County of Appomattox, against said real estate.

And it appearing by affidavit filed that there may be unknown heirs of Fannie Davidson deceased, other than Susie Davidson, and there whereabouts is unknown, and they are hereby required to appear within ten days after the due publication of this order and do what is necessary to protect their interests.

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Oakville News By Reporter

Oakville, Aug. 25.- Mr. and Mrs. Burnette Smith and Gloria Anne, of Lynchburg spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Martin.

Miss Ruby Martin spent last week end at Virginia Beach.

Mrs. Edgar Martin and Herman Moore, Jr. spent Monday afternoon in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. V. B. Daye, Misses Frances Thomas, Bessie Daye and Nellie Bryant, of Buckingham visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Bass Wednesday afternoon.

Misses Lila Wilcox and Mary Bass are visiting in Petersburg.

Mrs. Burton Daye and daughter have returned to their home in Richmond after visiting her parents here for the past week.

Percy Page, of Lynchburg spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and and Mrs. Tom Page.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rogers and son and Fed Inge, of Lynchburg visited Mrs. Daisy Rogers Sunday.

Jack Burge and Norman Harris, of Lynchburg visited Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Burge Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Major Cumby and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Edmunds and son spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Perry Cumby.

Mrs. Bernard Doss, who is a patient at the Virginia Baptist hospital, Lynchburg, continues ill.

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The revival service at Red Oak church closed Saturday night. A large crowd attended each evening of the week to hear Rev. C. A. Collins Jr. bring splendid messages.

Mrs. Maurice Williams and baby daughter returned to their home in Lynchburg Sunday after having spent some time with her parents here.

Rocks Items

Rocks, Aug. 25.- Farmers are busy cutting tobacco.

Nelson Garrette, of the U. S. Navy, of Newport, R I. arrived Tuesday afternoon to spend a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Garrett.

Mrs. J. P. Ransone and children, Jack and Tommy, of Norfolk arrived Thursday afternoon to spend a few days with her mother, Mrs. R. E. Inge, and her sister, Mrs. Robert Roach.

Mrs. P. H. McPhillips and children, of Hisburg spent Friday afternoon with her mother, Mrs. Sherman Gatlinghouse.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Lowe, of Roanoke spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Roach.

Mrs. Walter Ranson spent Saturday night and Sunday with her mother, Mrs. B. D. Dickerson, who is quite feeble.

Those who called in the home of Mrs. D. R. Inge over the week-end were Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Richardson and son, Frazier, of Portsmouth, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Roach and children, Mrs. Louise Williams and Elbert Dinkins, of Pamplin, Mrs. Richard Daye, of Lynchburg, and J. P. Ransone, of Norfolk.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Garrette and family motored to Holliday Lake Thursday afternoon.

The B. T. U. went on a picnic to Concord Bridge Saturday night.

Mrs. L. K. Almond and children, and Mrs. Otis Ransone and daughter, Charlene, attended the Cumby reunion near Pamplin Sunday.

Mrs. W. F. Ranson and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Frank Ranson and Miss Annie C. Martin called to see Mrs. B. D. Dickerson recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ranson and Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Ranson and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Martin and children and Cassie and A. A. Baldwin were the members from Rocks attending the nome coming at Evergreen last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Richardson and children of Roanoke and Misses Isabelle Ranson and Oliver C. McAllister, of Covington and J. P. Ransone of Norfolk attended Sunday School at Rocks Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Fleshman and son, Kenneth, of Appomattox, and Wiley Ranson of Camp Pickett spent the week-end with their father, J. H. Ranson.

Those who called to see Mrs. B. D. Dickerson over the week-end were Mrs. T. E. Richardson, of Appomattox, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ranson and daughter, Jeraldine, Mrs. L. K. Almond and son, Joseph, of Pamplin, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Almond and daughter, Esther, of Farmville, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Richardson and children of Roanoke, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Richardson and son, Frazier, of Portsmouth, Mrs. Jessie Carwile and daughter, of Georgia, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Richardson, of Lynchburg, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Dickerson and son, Samuel, Cassie and A. A. Baldwin.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Garrett and family motored to Lynchburg Sunday to take their son, Nelson, who returned to the Navy.

Mr. and Mrs. Hudson Dickerson spent Sunday at Brookneal with the latter's brother, Estell Holt.

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Bethany Items

Bethany, Aug. 25.- Mrs. Elizabeth Elliott, of Brookneal is visiting Mrs. Katie Allen in the home of Mrs. Curtis Paulette.

Hazel Paulette is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Sam Joe Paulette, of Prospect.

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Blosser and children, of Salem, Va. spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. Mott Harvey and attended the home coming day at Evergreen Baptist church Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynwood Paulette and daughter and Edwin Paulette, of Kanaa City, Mo., visited Mr. and Mrs. Billy Paulette last week.

Miss Isabelle Ranson, of Covington spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Ranson.

Those visiting Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Paulette Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Edd Moore, of Charlotte Court House, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Paulette and two sons, of Appomattox, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Joe Paulette and son, of Prospect, Ida Lee Thornhill, also of Prospect.

Miss Carolyn Paulette is spending this week with his sister, Mrs. Edd Moore, of Charlotte Court House.

Miss Thalia Harvey was home for the week-end.

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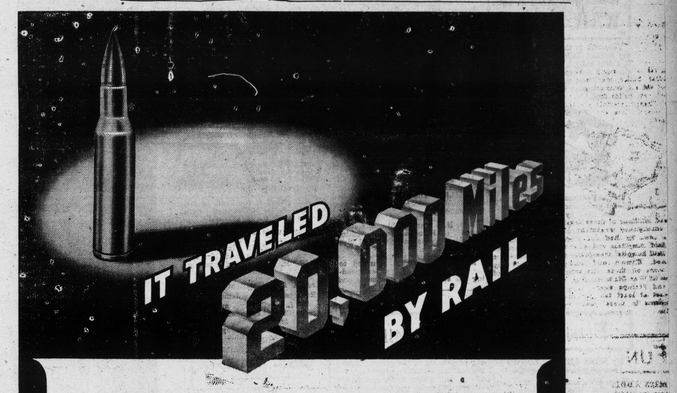

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